Apprehended corrupt officials of Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers

†2803. SHRI MUNNAVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) The grade-wise number of officers of the Ministry apprehended by Vigilance Department/CBI during the last three years, on the allegations of corruption, dishonesty and having properties disproportionate to their income;

(b) whether the Vigilance Department/CBI have taken any action against these officers; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) No officer of the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers has been apprehended by Vigilance Department/CBI during the last three years, on the allegations of corruption, dishonesty and having properties disproportionate to their income.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Disinvestment of cooperative fertilizer units

2804. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to disinvest fertilizer units in the cooperative sector;

(b) if so, what are the details of such units likely to be disinvested; and

(c) if answer to part (a) above be in the negative, the reasons for not disinvesting these fertilizer units?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The policy of the Government is to bring down Government's equity in all non-strategic PSUs to 26 per cent or lower. The fertilizer cooperatives do not come under the category of Central PSUs.

Profit/losses of public sector fertilizer units

2805. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the accumulated losses, as on date, of the nine public sector fertilizer units under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers;

(b) the details of profit/losses of these nine companies, during the last three financial years, company-wise;

(c) the details of financial support given by the Ministry to these companies during the same period; and

(d) the reasons for incurring heavy losses, despite financial assistance to these companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) to (d) The information is given as under:—